

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A compressor comprising:
a cylinder block which has a cylinder bore to accommodate a piston;
a crank chamber which is provided at one end of the cylinder block;
a suction chamber and a discharge chamber that are provided at the other
end of the cylinder block;
a valve that is provided between the cylinder bore and the suction chamber
and between the cylinder bore and the discharge chamber;
a valve plate provided with the valve and having a suction hole to
communicate between the cylinder bore and the suction chamber and a discharge
hole to communicate between the cylinder bore and the discharge chamber;
a suction valve provided with the valve and assembled to the side of the cylinder bore
of the valve plate, and the suction valve is comprised of a flexible plate to be able to open and
close the suction hole;
a drive shaft that is rotatably and axially supported within the crank chamber
to reciprocally actuate the piston; and
a valve structure in which the suction valve is formed with a suction valve main
body[[,]] and an opposing part,

wherein

that the opposing part is integrally formed on the suction valve main body[[,]] and
faces the suction hole and a valve seat at the opening edge of the suction hole so as to be able
to open and close the suction hole, and

~~clearance forming means comprising~~ a coating layer having a predetermined
thickness coated on at least one of the valve plate ~~main body~~ excluding the valve seat at
~~the opening edge of the suction hole~~ and the suction valve main body so as to form a
predetermined clearance between the opposing part and the valve seat.

Claims 2 - 6 (Canceled).

7. (Previously Presented) The compressor according to claim 1, wherein the upper surface of the valve seat is chamfered or rounded.

Claims 8 - 11 (Canceled)

12. (Previously Presented) The compressor according to claim 1, wherein the valve plate includes a plurality of suction holes equally spaced on an outer periphery of the valve plate.

13. (Previously Presented) The compressor according to claim 1, wherein the coating layer comprises fluorine.